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Comment of the day

ELECTRICITY DILLY-DALLY

TWENTY-ONE months have passed since the Electricity Commission report was publicly released. Since then, as the Colony knows, the chief recommendation—that of outright nationalisation—has been rejected and Government has been trying to work out with the companies a measure of control which would cover most of the Commission's recommendations short of nationalisation.

But what has happened? The companies have presented proposals. The Government has rejected them. At present the companies are still apparently working on a formula designed to meet Government's requirements but at the same time ensuring themselves of "incentive to efficiency and expansion." How much longer is this infuriating dilly-dallying to be permitted?

WHEN Government announced rejection of the companies' first counter proposals, it in effect apologised for the delay but said a final decision was of "considerable importance" and "there would be grave dangers in any precipitate conclusion." That was last January. Since then—dead silence.

This is not good enough. Surely a compromise solution should have been possible by now if Government were really anxious to see a "satisfactory outcome reached without any further delay." There were complaints last January over the time that the negotiations were taking. The China Mail urged Government "to get a move on" and called on both sides to meet and settle the matter at the conference table. It went on: "A mutually satisfactory solution could have been possible by now if Government had made its attitude clearer in the first place instead of this rather tedious exchange of ideas now taking place."

THE South China Morning Post said: "It is time for Government to stop sitting on the fence; to shun the negative approach and instead to make its own positive proposals. So far as the public is concerned it has had enough of procrastination." If these were the prevalent sentiments then, how much more so are they today?

The China Mail's attitude all along has been that minimum controls only are necessary and that the electricity companies should not be penalised to the extent that their capacity to expand is impaired. But it is high time these protracted negotiations were brought to some definite and satisfactory conclusion. Satisfactory, that is, to consumers, companies and Government.

The Government won genuine and well-deserved praise for shouldering the consumers' grievances when it appointed the commission. But as months have passed with still no finality in sight it is rapidly squandering public goodwill. Impatience has turned to frustration. People are wondering what has happened and whether the delay signifies serious mismanagement or an attitude of irresolution. Perhaps Government would explain.

Chou En-lai causes stir at big Communist gathering

SOVIET CONGRESS SENSATION

Kruschev rebuked for Albania attack

Moscow, Oct. 19.

Chou En-lai, Chinese Prime Minister, tonight virtually rebuked Mr Kruschev for bringing the quarrel with Albania into the open.

In a short speech to the 22nd Congress of the Soviet Communist party here, Chou said, according to Communist sources: "If there are quarrels in the socialist camp we consider that they should be solved through bilateral contacts and that a public discussion does not contribute to the cohesion of the socialist camp."

Albanian leaders—not invited to the Congress—were described by Mr Kruschev on Tuesday as opposing the decision to denounce Stalin's "cult of personality."

Reports of the affair, channelled out tonight, indicated that at one time Premier Kruschev showed by example that the audience of 4,500 party delegates should stop applauding Chou En-lai.

Some friendly oil was poured on the troubled waters by Chou before he ended his criticism of Mr Kruschev.

slightest applause to Mr Kruschev's attacks on the anti-party group and on the leaders of the little Adriatic Communist republic of Albania.

Amiable

Then tonight, near the conclusion of the first session from which Western reporters were excluded, Chou took the stand to present a greeting from Mao Tse-tung, which apparently was amiable and fraternal in the usual manner of one party leader greeting another.

Interspersed in the Chinese Premier's speech on Communist affairs was a brief but sharp blast at Mr Kennedy.

"President Kennedy waves the olive branch," he said, "but he is worse than those who preceded him."

To prove his point Chou referred to Laos, Cuba and Berlin, all three crises in which Mr Kennedy had taken a stand far from pleasing to the Communist countries. That was all that could be learned about his comments on Mr Kennedy.

Stormy clapping

Then Chou began the reply that indicated that the split between Chinese and Soviet leaders was not yet healed. Before the evening was over, there were indications that the Soviet leaders were ready to fight back with few holds barred.

"China is friendly with all other Socialist countries," said Chou, adding that his friendship included countries from North Korea to East Germany and from Vietnam to Albania.

The mention of Albania was the signal for the audience to begin stormy applause. Evidently they had forgotten Wednesday's bitter attacks by Mr Kruschev on Albania.

Mr Kruschev and members of the presidium did not applaud, showing the audience it was out of place. The applause subsided immediately. Chou continued by commenting that China agrees with everything said in 1957 and 1960 including the conference of 81 countries last November in Moscow where the rift showed itself only partly healed.

Volga, Yangtze

Other international news agency reports carry similar versions of Chou En-lai's speech and its reception.

Reuters reported Chou as saying that differences had

existed between the Chinese and Soviet parties—but now the Volga and the Yangtze were "flowing in the same direction".

[Quarrels, he added, were not a Marxist approach. Differences among parties could be settled by negotiation.]

Mr Kruschev has led a campaign for peaceful coexistence by which he intends to promote Communist conquests of the world by economic and other pressures without war.



Chou En-lai

At the end he and Mr Kruschev shook hands in front of the audience, which applauded stormily.

No applause

The Chinese Premier's speech came at the end of a day largely devoted to attacks on old Stalinists and so-called anti-party people in the Soviet Union.

Particular fire was turned on former Premier Georgi Malenkov and an old party war-horse, former Deputy Premier Lazar Kaganovich.

Details of Chou's attack on Mr Kennedy were not immediately learned.

But he pledged Communist China's support for the Soviet foreign policy and its Communist Party programme while hiding Mr Kruschev for his attacks on Albania.

For two days Chou has declined to give even the



Mr Kruschev

The Chinese insist this is a departure from the old Communist tradition that war with capitalism is inevitable, and Mr Kruschev has stamped them as dogmatists for such beliefs.

Successively party leaders Gomulka of Poland and Thorez of France attacked Albania again in the face of Chou's declaration of continued friendship for it.

Then came the sharpest of the Soviet replies. President Leonid Brezhnev of the Soviet Union repeated the criticism of Albania that it had failed to follow the party policies established in international conferences, but persisted in the cult of personality.

"One cannot speak without anxiety and alarm of the activity of late have been gradually undermining the foundations of the friendship between our countries," Mr Brezhnev was quoted by Tass, the Soviet news agency.—Reuters and AP.

VERWOERD ENDS UP WITH 3 MORE SEATS

Johannesburg, Oct. 19. Dr Hendrik Verwoerd's Nationalists increased their representation from 102 seats to 105 in the parliamentary general election when final results were declared tonight.

The main opposition group, the United Party, also gained seats, winning 49 against 42 in the old parliament, but their gains were at the expense of the breakaway Progressive Party.

The Progressives won only one seat, compared with 11 before the election, and the National Union kept its one seat. The National Union has an electoral alliance with the United Party.

It was the first general election since South Africa became a republic.

The final state of the parties was: Nationalists 105, United Party 49, Progressives one, National Union one.—Reuters.

COMPETITION WINNERS TOMORROW

The results of the 17-21 Club Photographic Competition will be published in tomorrow's China Mail. Several entries were published in a special supplement in last Saturday's China Mail.

Thirteen of the entered photographs have won prizes.

Nuclear test ban talks Adlai tells U.N. 'we won't be trapped again!'

United Nations, Oct. 19.

The United States served notice today it will not again enter "the trap" of a voluntary moratorium on nuclear tests.

Ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson told the General Assembly's main political committee there is "no reason why a nuclear test ban treaty with effective controls cannot be signed within 30 days" if Russia will negotiate in good faith.

The United States, he said, reserves the right "in self protection" to make tests in the atmosphere in view of the Soviet series of atmospheric explosions which has produced more radioactive fallout than in any series of tests since 1945.

Grateful

"Are we supposed to be grateful that Chairman Kruschev has decided not to reach at a single bound his announced goal of the 100-megaton weapon?" Mr Stevenson asked.

Mr Kruschev had announced the Soviet Union will explode a 50-megaton device on Oct. 31 and could explode a 100-megaton weapon if it desired. "As everyone knows," Mr Stevenson said, "there is no military purpose whatever in such gigantic weapons. For years, the United States has been able to build such weapons. But we are not interested in the business of intimidation or bigger bluffs."

Mr Stevenson said the only "safe and sure way" to stop nuclear weapons tests was by a treaty "prohibiting all nuclear weapons tests under effective controls."

"No doubt," he said, "when the present sequence of tests

reaches its cataclysmic conclusion, the Soviet Union will plausibly join in the movement for an uninspected moratorium.

Categorical

"Let us be absolutely clear on what an uninspected moratorium means. A moratorium serves the cause neither of peace nor of international collaboration, nor of confidence among nations. We all were in this trap before. We cannot afford to enter it again. The United States will not do so."

India has proposed renewal of the voluntary moratorium broken by Russia's decision last month to resume tests. The Indian proposal and a British-American call for renewal of negotiations on an iron-clad test ban treaty are before the 10-nation political committee for simultaneous discussion.—UPI.

SIGNALS IN COURT

Aylesbury, Oct. 20. The judge halted a court case yesterday when he saw a woman juror signalling to a man in the public gallery.

"If it's important you can call out the message from where you are," the judge told her. Blushing, the woman shouted to her husband "Tell her not to put the food on because I'll be late getting home."

Repetition

Washington, Oct. 19. The State Department said today that the new Soviet notes handed to the Allied powers yesterday were "simply a repetition" of statements contained in a Russian note of September 2 on air corridors into Berlin.—Reuters.

VIETMINH THREAT ON U.S. ARMS AID

Geneva, Oct. 19.

North Vietnam warned today she could not stand idly by if the United States sent troops to bolster the South Vietnamese Government.

North Vietnamese spokesman Nguyen Thanh Lea told a press conference the visit of Presidential Envoy Gen Maxwell Taylor to South Vietnam "appears to be the prelude to a full scale U.S. military intervention there. "North Vietnam and all the peace loving states of the world could not stand idly by and see American troops land in South Vietnam," Nguyen said. "We could not let this happen in silence."

Provocation

Nguyen, chief spokesman for the North Vietnamese delegation at the 14-nation Laos conference here, said Taylor's visit to Saigon was "a grave provocation."

He accused the United States of turning South Vietnam into "a colony and a military base" and said his government had already protested to Britain and the Soviet Union, co-chairman of the 1954 Geneva Conference on Indo-China, against "American intervention" in South Vietnam.—UPI.

Fighting

In Saigon, there were reports of heavy fighting today following a Communist attack on Tuesday night near An Khe on the high plateau in central Vietnam.

An Khe, main protection point for the military road from Pleiku to the coast, was still in Government hands, according to these reports.

Communist strength was reported to be at least one battalion. An Khe is defended by three battalions, two of which were moved down from further north last week, according to authoritative military sources.—Reuters.

Unusual tip

Exeter, Oct. 20. Train station porter James Parkin received a somewhat uncommon tip when he helped a young man with his bags—a 1937 Austin motor car. "He said he wanted to go the rest of the country by train," Parkin explained. "He was fed up driving in the rain."—UPI.

MAERSK SHIP STILL ABLAZE

Djakarta, Oct. 19.

A stubborn blaze aboard the 10,000-ton Danish freighter Emilio Maersk, anchored in Bimassan harbour in northeast Sumatra, thwarted efforts of fire fighters for the third straight day today.

The ship, carrying a cargo of oil palm and rubber, caught fire on Tuesday when a nearby coastal freighter, the Kesturi, exploded, burned and sank while taking on fuel. Indonesian navy units are helping fight the flames.—UPI.

Typical home

Plymouth, Oct. 19.

Two Russians who asked to see typical working class homes were taken to a house where the gas and electricity had been cut off and where a 38-year-old mother was expecting her seventeenth child.

Plymouth's Lord Mayor, Alderman Charles Goldberg, expressed his "very great surprise" that the Russians had been taken there.—China Mail Special.

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SIX NATIONS MOVE AGAINST SOVIET SUPER-BOMB IN U.N.

Bolivia discovers plot in time

La Paz, Oct. 19. An official government communique here in Bolivia today announced that a plot to overthrow the regime had been discovered and halted in time.

The communique said that the leader of the plot, an engineer named Jose Nunez Rosales, had shot himself in the head when he found that the plan had been uncovered, and was gravely wounded.—Reuter.

MAURITANIA, MONGOLIA

SECURITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER NEW APPLICATIONS

United Nations, Oct. 19. The Security Council will meet next Wednesday to consider the membership applications of Mauritania and Outer Mongolia, it was announced today.

Meanwhile the UN reported that Asia's representation in the Secretariat has increased slightly in the last two years.

At the director level, Asia and the Far East had 16 persons on the Secretariat staff this year, compared with 15 in both 1959 and 1960.

At the top professional level, Asia and the Far East had 23 persons this year compared with 24 in 1959 and 23 in 1960.

Japan

Japan's representation in the upper levels of the Secretariat increased from 24 last year to 26 as of August 31, 1961.

The Philippines representation increased from eight to 10 in the same period, China from 51 to 52, Indonesia from eight to nine, Nepal from one to two, Cambodia from zero to two and Ceylon from five to six.

India's representation remained unchanged at 62, Pakistan's at 12, Thailand's at six, and Burma's at five.

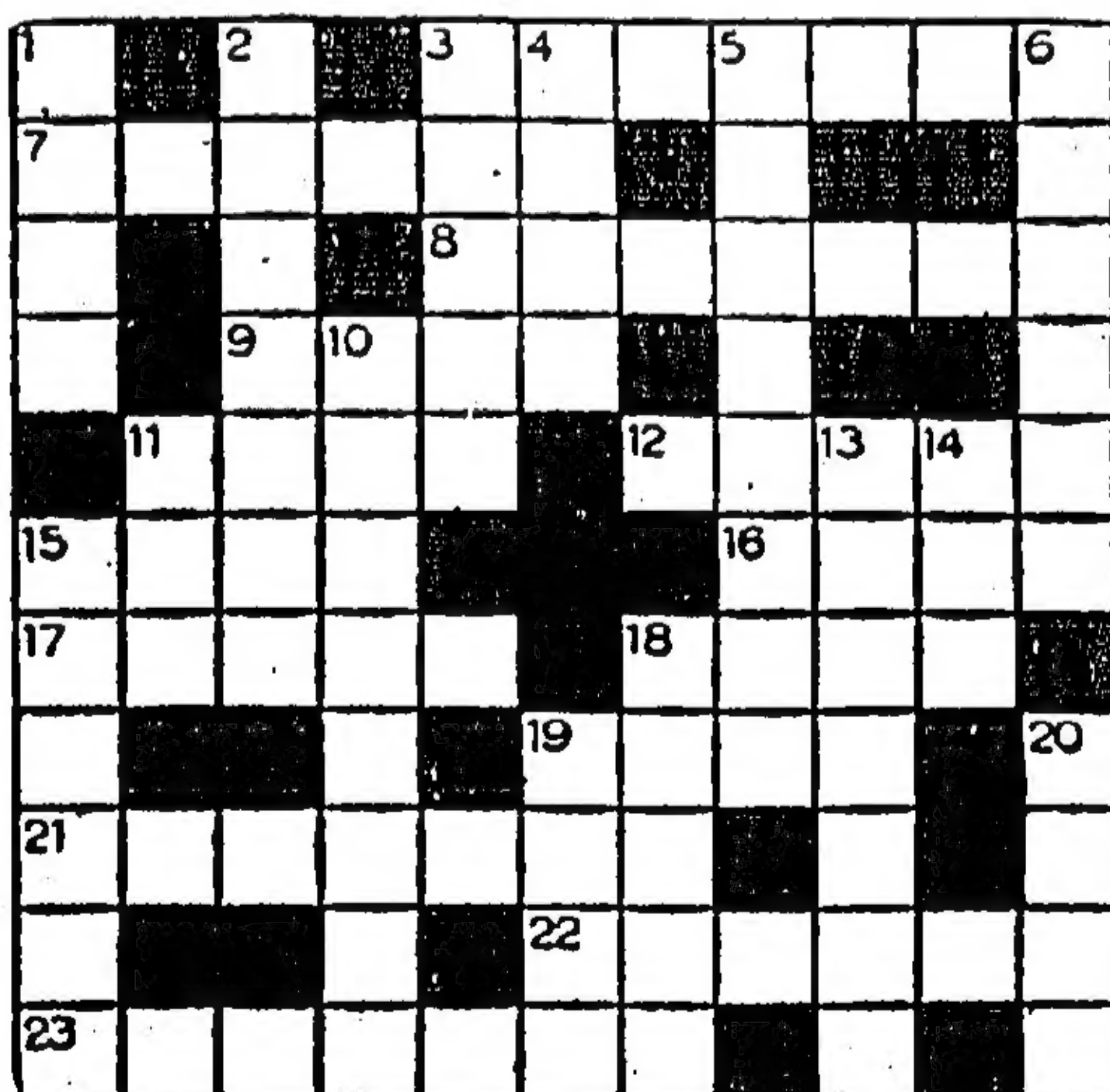
Malaya's representation decreased from two to one and South Vietnam's from one to zero.—UPI.

VISAS

Washington, Oct. 19. The State Department today said it will issue visas for an Outer Mongolian delegation to attend the United Nations debate on their nation's application for membership.

The State Department said Outer Mongolia requested visas for a four-man delegation on September 25.—UPI.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 3 Conveyor.
- 7 Tell the tale.
- 8 Royal deputies.
- 9 Grill.
- 11 Shut up.
- 12 Northern town.
- 16 Offspring.
- 16 Home for an MP?
- 17 Positions.
- 18 Remainder.
- 19 Something broken in the studio?
- 21 Ticked off.
- 22 Loves.
- 23 Stupidity?

DOWN

- 1 It croaks.
- 2 Bottles.
- 3 Take off a thin piece.
- 4 Notice.
- 5 Propositions.
- 6 Be affronted.
- 10 Platforms.
- 11 Gracious, as the pigeon said!
- 13 Annoys.
- 14 A grass seed.
- 15 Was mercilessly frugal!
- 16 Healthily coloured.
- 17 Thrash.
- 20 Angle.

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Grandsons, 3 Chips, 10 Adios, 12 Get, 13 Lays, 14 Lens, 15 Decent, 16 Trust, 18 Tailed, 19 Order, 20 Not, 21 Fire, 24 Rime, 25 Axids, 26 Crumbling, Down: 2 Rejoice, 3 Nest, 4 Bantoe, 5 Mudge, 6 Chaps, 7 Perturbed, 8 Peasies, 11 Doctors, 12 Dind, 13 Reddem, 10 Inner, 24 Delgn, 25 Earl.

Menon, Nkrumah add protests

United Nations, Oct. 19. Six northern hemisphere countries will submit a draft resolution tomorrow urging the Soviet Union not to explode a 50-megaton nuclear weapon, it was learned today.

A spokesman for one of the co-sponsors said the draft proposal will note with concern Soviet Premier Khrushchev's announcement that the current series of atmospheric tests will end this month with the setting off of a super-bomb equal to 50,000,000 tons of TNT.

Co-sponsors

The group will submit their proposal to the General Assembly's 101-nation main political committee, which is debating nuclear testing and asks for priority consideration, the spokesman said.

The co-sponsors are Denmark, Sweden, Iceland, Norway, Canada and Japan—all of which have recorded increased radioactive fallout since the new series of Soviet tests began in the Arctic last August.

At the United Nations, today Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, Indian Defence Minister, said it would be "highly regrettable" if the Soviet Union exploded a 50-megaton nuclear weapon.

All bad

But he made it very clear that the same qualification would apply to a five or ten megaton bomb, or to any nuclear weapon at all, however exploded, above or underground and no matter by whom.

All such explosions were "bad," he said.

In Washington, the Ghana Embassy announced today that President Kwame Nkrumah had called on Mr. Khrushchev to suspend all nuclear tests.

In a cable to the Soviet prime minister he said he was "deeply concerned to hear that the Soviet Government was not only continuing nuclear tests but also proposed to explode a 50-megaton bomb in the near future."

Postpone

President Nkrumah said the radioactive fallout from such explosions must be the concern of all nations.

"If most sincerely hope that it may at least be possible to postpone these tests until another effort can be made to secure general agreement on the banning of nuclear weapons," he added.—Reuter.

Algerians expelled

Paris, Oct. 19. Two planeloads of Algerians, expelled from France after big Muslim demonstrations in Paris, left today for Constantinople, East Algeria.

The 134 men—first of the 1,500 marked down for expulsion—were driven to Orly airport in buses escorted by motorcycle police.—Reuter.

DEFENCE SAYS SCARBEEK TRIED TO PERSUADE 2 POLES TO DEFECT

Washington, Oct. 19. Counsel for Irvin C. Scarbeck brought out today that the former diplomat tried to persuade two Polish secret agents to defect after they caught him in bed with a Polish girl.

Defence lawyer Samuel Klein resumed a detailed cross examination of Kenneth Knaut, the State Department security agent who questioned Scarbeck for 10 hours on June 5 in Frankfurt, Germany.

Story

A jury had spent the past two days listening to a tape recording of that session, in the course of which Scarbeck admitted passing secret documents to the Polish agents under their threats to expose his affair with 22-year-old Ursula Diemer.

Scarbeck is being tried on charges of passing secret documents to the agents.

According to Scarbeck's story, the Polish agents said which caught him with the Polish girl, Klein asked.

CHINA AGAIN WARNS U.S.

London, Oct. 19. The Chinese Foreign Ministry today issued its 175th "serious warning" against U.S. military provocations, the New China News Agency reported.

The agency alleged that a U.S. military plane violated China's air space and a U.S. warship intruded into her territorial waters today.—Reuter.

Singer awarded \$1,500 a month

Santa Monica, Oct. 19. Singer Rosemary Clooney today was awarded \$1,500 a month temporary maintenance from her estranged husband Jose Ferrer pending a final divorce settlement.

Miss Clooney had sought \$8,104 a month from Ferrer, the 49-year-old movie actor-director.

Miss Clooney filed for a divorce from Ferrer on September 22 charging cruelty.

The singer, who had five children by Ferrer, told reporters that she saw "no hope" in settling the couple's differences.—UPI.

Braniff buys new British jet aircraft

Washington, Oct. 19. Braniff International Airways announced today the purchase of 12 of the new British twin-jet transports, the BAC-111, for \$35 million (about £12,500,000).

The airline had ordered six of the short-range jets—described as the jet successor to the turbo-prop Viscount—for delivery beginning in October 1964.

It has also signed an option for six additional aircraft for delivery starting in the summer of 1965, it was announced.—Reuter.

Barge sinks: 30 die

Cairo, Oct. 19. About 30 people were believed drowned today when a small barge carrying them to work capsized and sank in a Nile delta canal northeast of Cairo, police reported.

Six divers were rushed to the scene to search the muddy canal for bodies. Only five bodies had been recovered so far, Police said, and none of the barge passengers was believed to have survived.

Some of the workers were employed at a plant of the United Arab Republic Atomic Energy Agency.—UPI.

Successful launch

Washington, Oct. 19. The Space Agency in a "very successful launch" today fired a 94-pound ionosphere probe 4,281 miles into space and 4,424 miles out to sea.

The probe was launched by a four-stage solid fuel Scout rocket from the Wallops Island, Va., station of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. The flight from launch to "splash" took about 90 minutes.—UPI.

Kassem's move against Western oil companies

Bagdad, Oct. 19. The Iraqi Government has prepared legislation to restrict the Western oil companies' operations in Iraq to oil wells at present in production and to take away the remaining concessionary areas from the companies, it was disclosed today.

Major-General Abdul Karim Kassem, the Iraqi Prime Minister, gave notice that the Government planned this action when the three-year-old oil negotiations broke down here on October 11.

His statement was revealed when the Arabic text of the minutes of the final five-and-a-half-hour meeting of the negotiators was released here today.

General Kassem told the companies' delegation that he was giving them prior notice so that the Government action would not "come to you as a surprise."

"According to the minutes, MF H. W. Fisher, leader of the delegation, replied: 'Thank you. We shall take the necessary steps to protect our interests.'"

Revenues

The Iraq Petroleum Company and its associates, Bactra and Mosul Petroleum Companies, hold concession rights to all areas of Iraq except for a small part in Khaniqin, near the Persian border.

Not more than two per cent of the Iraq territory has been exploited by the oil companies, whose operations this year will bring the Iraq government an estimated \$98 million in oil revenues.

According to the Arabic text of the meeting on October 11,

General Kassem told the oil firms, that "We have not seen any benefit from the three-year-old negotiations."—Reuter.

U.S. DENOUNCES MURDER OF VIETNAM OFFICER

Washington, Oct. 19. The State Department today denounced the "kidnapping, torture and brutal murder" of Colonel Hoang Thuy Nam, former South Vietnamese Liaison Officer with the International Control Commission in Vietnam.

The Department spokesman, Mr. Joseph Reap, said that Colonel Nam had been assassinated by the Viet-Cong (Communist guerrillas) who were under the direction of the North Vietnamese Communist authorities.

The spokesman said that the murder of Colonel Nam "glaringly proves their (the Viet-Cong) contempt for any decent standard of conduct."

He added that the kidnapping-murder of the Colonel "brought into clear focus" the deterioration of the security situation in Vietnam.

The body of Colonel Nam, kidnapped by Communist guerrillas on October 4, was found in a river near Saigon, the South Vietnamese Government said yesterday.

According to reports, Colonel Nam's back was broken, his jaws crushed by a chain and his hands tied behind his back.—Reuter.

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Japan newsletter from David Gordon

Land with the world's highest literacy rating

Tokyo.

"From what I have seen of Japan's industries, their best can stand comparison with the best in any country in the world." Quote: Sir Norman Kipping, Director-General of the British Federation of Industries, currently visiting Japan.

These very same words have been said dozens of times by dozens of others over the past few years, but to mangle similes, like water off a duck's back they go in one ear and out the other. As I see it, few people want to face the fact that Japan today is a "Quality production" country and the mumbled in overseas pubs and clubs about "overseas labour" is a lot of humbug.

Even by the American formula of assessing "standards of living" by the numbers of television sets, radios, ballpoint pens, washing machines, refrigerators and plastic bucket-scooters per capita, the Japanese have a much "higher" standard than all of Continental Europe and Great Britain combined.

Impression

As Japan has been able to boost the world's highest literacy rating (about 97.5 per cent) for several decades, it seems fairly reasonable to presume that this fact alone, would be sufficient in itself to cause a general and steady advancement in all fields of endeavour.

But about the only one that seems to have made much impression anywhere—particularly in England—is shipbuilding. Just more recently, Japanese motorcycles on their performance and quality, have opened a few eyes also.

Japanese cameras and optical goods have been making the Germans squelch with anguish for five years. Within three years of moving into the big Hongkong market for radio, the Japanese makers have already cornered about 30 per cent of the market—more than Britain's, Germany's and The Netherlands' shares combined. These three were virtually "traditional" suppliers to the name-conscious Chinese—until the Japanese came along with their excellent products.

Of course Japan turns out a lot of rubbish for export and home consumption. For that matter it turns out as much rubbish as any other country, but it is about on a par with Australian aborigines when it comes to selectivity and preservation of goods for their own personal needs.

Consolation

It basically doesn't matter what field you care to pick in this kind of competition. It is merely a matter of speculating on the exact time when Japan will overtake Britain—or any other country—in whatever it sets its mind to.

Meanwhile, there may be some consolation in knowing that Japan is still flourishing with this week's find of a Japanese couch remedy in which the label reads: "One tablet three times a day until passing away."

And a quite magnificent hotel which just opened, has a brochure describing its various amenities (which incidentally include for the first time here as a gesture of friendship for France, le bled), and among the pages is a picture of a "Zing bedroom." The Japanese Zing

nounce "twin" exactly as "twinning" but I'd never seen the numerical and alphabetical combination printed that way before.

National Traffic Safety Week

Week got off to a howling start on October 11—with most of the howling coming from the victims of the insanity on the roads.

Forty-five were killed the first day and hundreds more seriously injured as tourist buses dropped into ravines (one 250 feet), school buses overturned, dump trucks ran through bridge railings and three-wheelers hit posts, pedestrians and even policemen.

The score dropped a bit next day when a mere 25 were killed, but Friday the 13th saw a marked upward swing as 49 were killed and dozens of others maimed.

Twelve drivers involved in accidents causing death had their licenses "suspended".

The law

Several of these who had killed children, advised their parents for not teaching their offspring road sense, while the policemen ruefully admitted that "drivers become confused when they are made to comply with the laws."

This is actually quite correct from my own observation both in the letter of the law and the witnessing thereof.

Attempting to drive according to the law—and commonsense—are completely out of step, time or tempo with the rest of the traffic. This then gangs up on you—and if you don't play the game like everyone else then you get hit.

Radioactivity in rain over Hokkaido

reached a peak of 38,500 counts per litre per minute on October 14, and on the same day, Prof. Takaichi Murachi, an internationally noted radio-biologist, died of leukemia at the early age of 52.

His death was attributed to the effects of constant exposure to radioactivity during his 26 years of research on the subject. He spent one month—August 1945—surveying Hiroshima immediately after the A-bombing.

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Memorial to fliers

To commemorate their pioneer flight across the Atlantic, the links they had with Manchester, plans are being studied for the erection in Manchester of a memorial to Alcock and Brown, who made the first direct non-stop flight across the Atlantic in June, 1919.

In the form of life-size figures of the two British airmen, it will occupy a prominent position at the city's airport. Sir John Alcock was a Manchester man and Sir Arthur Whitten-Brown lived in the city for a number of years and was partly educated there—Banows.

• BY • THE • WAY • by Beachcomber

A FEW days ago a plea was made for "beer, sandwiches, and biscuits in museums, to bring in the public." But the public would not be satisfied with this son thrown to it.

The British Museum must lead the way with juke-boxes, bowling alleys, beauty competitions, bingo, fashion parades, and fortune-tellers. A brass band in the Reading Room would attract a new type of student.

The world of Art

THE craze for stealing pictures should prove profitable to Foulencourt and his associates.

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Snails races

O lente, lente currite, noctes coecheae.... Snails trained for long-distance races took part in a contest in a village by the Loire last week. The champion is reported in my paper to have covered 23 inches in 3 minutes and 40 seconds.

If that does not seem much of a performance, it must be remembered that snails easily grow bored if expected to dash about the place, and when that happens they come to a stop and remain motionless and surly. Now for the first race in the Croydon Stadium. Starlings will chase electric snails.

Financial capers

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HOW many 100 letters or more can you make from the letters in the word "TARGET"? The letters are: T, A, R, G, E, T, A, R, G, E, T. The letters are: T, A, R, G, E, T, A, R, G, E, T.

My mouth will show forth thy righteousness and my salvation all the day; for I know not the numbers thereof.—Psalms 71:15.

If we really have found peace and joy in a great friendship we may well speak to others of it. There is nothing to be ashamed of in this.

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GOVERNMENT'S DECISION ON GHANA VISIT

The Queen's tour is on

CANCELLATION WOULD HAVE A GRAVE EFFECT ON RELATIONS

London, Oct. 20.
The Queen will carry out her 10-day visit to Ghana next month as arranged—unless there is some significant change in the meantime, the Commonwealth Relations Secretary, Mr Duncan Sandys told Parliament last night.

MICKEY MOUSE AN ENEMY OF PEACE

Berlin, Oct. 20.
Mickey Mouse has been condemned by the East German Communists as "an enemy of peace."

A member of the Young Pioneers, the junior Red youth movement, asked if it was all right to read a magazine called "Mickey Mouse" published in West Germany. It consists of Walt Disney's cartoons with the dialogue in German.

The answers of the local youth leader, Hans Borowski, was published in the Communist paper Ostsee Zeitung.

He said a good Pioneer did not read "Mickey Mouse" because "it is a children's magazine of an enemy State that does everything to launch a new war."

He said that West Germany "doesn't want children to fight for peace, as we do, but needs children who are prepared to murder and plunder."—AP.

Several members of Parliament had advocated that the visit should be cancelled for the Queen's own protection.

Mr Sandys agreed, amid applause from both Conservative and Labour members, that quite apart from the political aspect of the visit the question of the Queen's safety must be considered.

"Not justified"

"If it should appear to us that the visit would involve abnormal risk, we should not hesitate to advise cancellation," he said.

"But we have examined the position most thoroughly and the Government has reached the conclusion that unless there is some significant change in the situation, we should not be justified in advising any alteration in Her Majesty's plans."

Mr Sandys was certain that the Queen would receive a warm-hearted welcome from the people of Ghana who had an affection for Britain and a deep respect for the Queen.

Cancelling the Queen's visit now on political grounds would have a most serious effect on relations between Britain and Ghana, Mr Sandys added.

"Utterly wrong"

Earlier, Mr James Callaghan, Labour Party spokesman on Commonwealth affairs, had advised the Government against any thought of cancelling the visit.

"It would be utterly wrong for advice to be offered to the Queen that would mean an irreparable and permanent breach between Ghana and other Commonwealth countries," Mr Callaghan said.

Mr Callaghan professed alarm at the bitter political divisions in Ghana but found it difficult to believe that the Queen's safety would be endangered there.

"I know that there are elements in Ghana that would welcome a breach in the Commonwealth," he added. "It is really not for us, at this stage, to encourage these elements in Ghana or elsewhere."

"Far too precious"

Mr Robert Turton (Conservative) declared: "This is not the moment for the Queen to go to Ghana. She is something far too precious, both for us in this country and for the whole Commonwealth."

A Labour member, Mr E. L. Mollath, said Ghana was in the grip of a "vile dictatorship" and it would be a mistake for the Queen to go there.—AP.

Jordan polling 'calm, quiet'

Amman, Oct. 19.
Polling for 20 members of Jordan's 60-seat Lower House of Parliament took place today "normally and freely, without any interference," Interior Ministry sources said.

Quick solution needed

London, Oct. 19.
The British Government was today urged that a speedy solution to the political discussions now going on between the Prime Ministers of Singapore and Malaya would be in the interests of all parties concerned.

BODYGUARD

Brussels, Oct. 19.
Authoritative Belgian sources said today a Belgian officer is to be attached as bodyguard to Mwumi (King) Mswambata of Urundi, whose Prime Minister said, Prince Mwumbe was assassinated last Friday.—Reuter.

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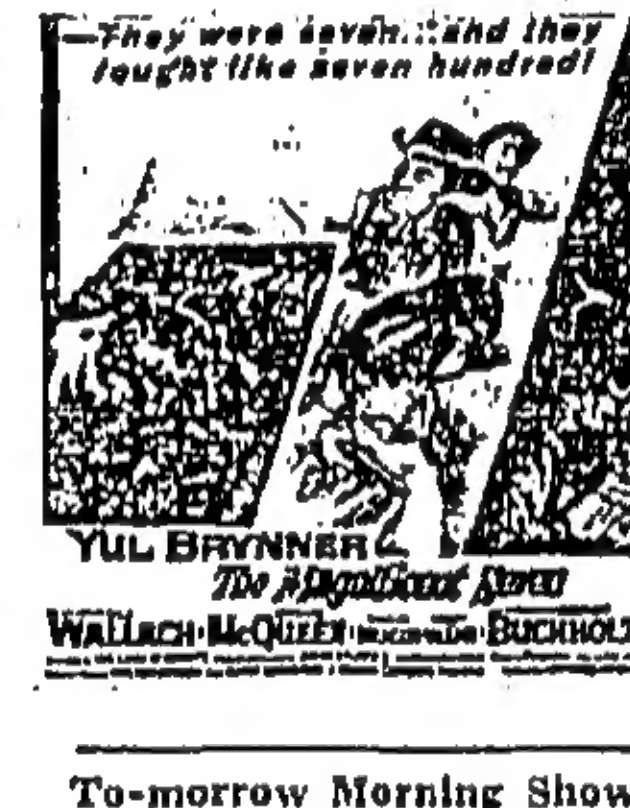
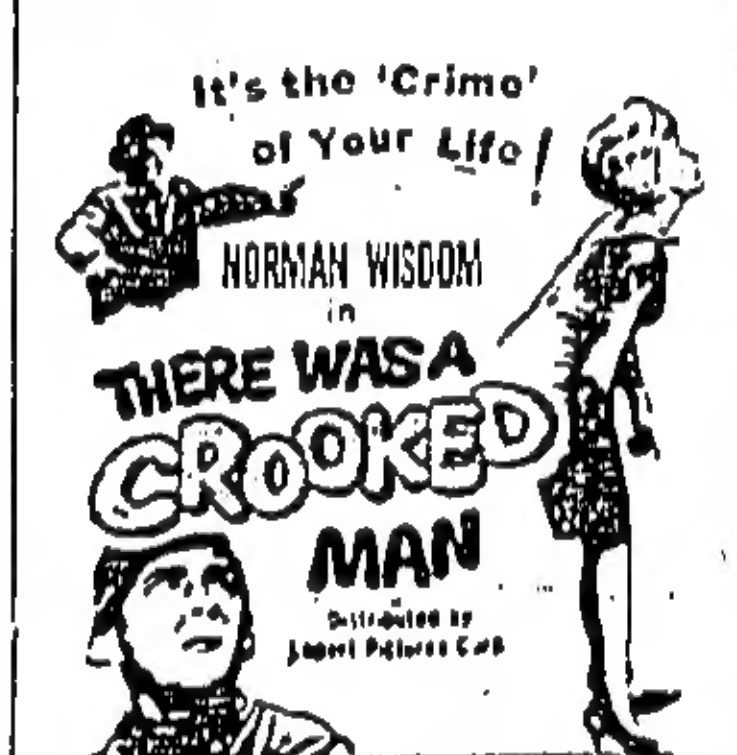
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SITUATION VACANT

BE sure that the ghost of Maundy Gregory, the tout for titles, frets impatiently over his pauper's grave in Paris.

For, after three weeks, the "situation vacant" sign is still aglow over a unique, three-man board whose task it is to advise the Prime Minister on the suitability of all candidates for political honours.

Its name the Political Honours Scrutiny Committee, born fully some 40 years ago as a result of an outcry over the unscrupulous but highly rewarding shuffling among the nation's honours of men like Mr Gregory.

Vanity

The vacancy has arisen with the recent death of Lord Pecheux-Lawrence, that kindly, 66-year-old older statesman of the Labour Party, who was himself created baron in 1945.

Someone will have to be found before the New Year's Honours List is presented to the Queen. How Maundy Gregory would have envied the job! No breath of scandal has touched the Honours List for more than a quarter of a century. But it was not always so.

What they can do is prune from the lists names of all persons they deem "unsuitable." It is the supreme political blackball. They work in complete secrecy. No minutes of their meetings are ever published. No questions about their decisions are answered in the House. In the early years, the committee clearly failed to stamp out completely the trade in honours, in spite of the safeguards. The sale of titles was very much a national talking point in the late 1920's. In July 1927 the Daily Express reported that a question was to be put to the Prime Minister (Baldwin). "There is a widespread public desire that there should be an inquiry into the granting of honours during the lifetime of the Coalition Government."

And in 1928, Mr Ramsay MacDonald said: "They (the Liberals) have plenty of money, but officially I do not know how

QUALIFICATION: A NOSE FOR SCANDAL

By
DONALD SEAMAN

Under fire

Justice caught up with him in 1933, when he was charged with an offence under the Honours (Prevention of Abuses) Act, the first and only person to be so charged in this country.

He was reported to the authorities by a retired naval officer who said Gregory had asked him £10,000 for a title. No one ever knew what other cases might be brought to light.

Fixer

But Gregory pleaded guilty, was sentenced to two months and fined £50 with costs. He fled to Paris immediately after his release, fearing a murder charge (following the death in suspicious circumstances and exhumation of a wealthy woman friend).

He was arrested by the Gestapo in Paris in the Second

World War, and died penniless after ill-treatment at their hands in 1941.

With the death of Lord Pecheux-Lawrence, the two remaining members of the scrutiny committee are Lord Thurso, the great Liberal statesman who served as Air Minister from 1940 to 1945, and Viscount Crookshank, formerly Captain Harry Crookshank, M.P. for Gainsborough, has served as Postmaster-General, Minister of Health, Leader of the Commons, and Lord Privy Seal.

There is little he and Lord Thurso (better remembered as Sir Archibald Sinclair) do not know of the deeper pools of political life.

Who?

No one yet knows who the third member of this strange, oddly responsible committee will be. Certainly, he will have to be a Privy Councillor—but they number more than two hundred and fifty.

No woman has yet served on the committee. Why? asked Lady Astor, 25 years ago. Said Mr Baldwin, then Prime Minister, amid roars of (male) laughter: "No woman would be of any use, as it is not honourable service so much as dishonourable that is looked for."

Which is where people like Minister Maundy Gregory came in.

—(London Express Service).

INTELLIGENCE REPORT

The Paper Palace gets a new tenant

'When a bomb or shell explodes it breaks up into a vast number of splinters'

ON the seventh floor of my palace I watched my employees taking their lunch-time leisure. They were a sleek-looking lot, I must say, the girls showing all that famous French fashion flair, with a touch or two added. Since the humblest typist among them earns the equivalent of £20 a week, perhaps that's to be expected.

But an Englishman then hurried to explain: "You know these salaries at Unesco here have been grossly exaggerated."

"Why look at me, I'm a pretty senior official and I'm paid only £4,000 a year. Mind you, that's tax free."

I choked on my aperitif in sympathy, poor fellow.

Hefty

I had come over to Paris to find out how the people at the palace of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation are spending my money. Mine and yours that is— which will add up to the pretty hefty total of £823,000 in the next two years.

On that day, the 101st nation had just joined Unesco. All together, these 101 will contribute £11,000,000 to Unesco in 1961 and 1962.

Also I wanted to inquire what progress is being made at the fourth palace which Unesco is planning at a cost of over £1,000,000.

Unesco already has three palaces completed only three years ago (cost £3,000,000), and to see these buildings for the first time is quite a sight, believe me. As I stepped out of my taxi I staggered back on my heels in awe, horror, and amazement at the vastness of it all.

Yet no less a person than Mr Mahdoun Adishlah, an Indian, who is one of the three assistant directors-general of Unesco, described the palaces to me later as "rather ramshackle, really." If this is ramshackle,

then Buckingham Palace is just a dog kennel.

There is the main building, an enormous Y-shaped mass of glass where the day-to-day work is done. This is flanked by a fortress which is the conference building and a smaller glass palace that is the home of the permanent delegations (Britain has not one).

It goes without saying that the new palace will be taller than any of the others—10 storeys as against seven.

Bleak

You can wander around the present seven storeys of Unesco all day long if you want to— unless someone stops you. And that is hardly likely for what is another place where there are 1,100 people from 71 nations working here?

With hundreds of others, black, white, and yellow, I shot up and down in lifts, wandered along a few miles of bleak corridors full of jostling, file-carrying secretaries.

There was a certain measure of quiet, rejoicing on this day because Eire had just joined Unesco. Perhaps a touch of Irish blarney was the only thing lacking here?

But what actually is done here in all these little offices by all these people we help to pay?

There are, of course, the obvious failures perpetrated by Unesco. There was for one thing the report on the harlots of the Lebanon (I bet you didn't know you had been subscribing to reports on the activities of these ladies, did you?).

But question the Secretariat and you find that no one knows just what happened to that

report—or to the ladies themselves for that matter.

My own guess is that all the literature on the subject ultimately found its way into the wastepaper baskets of Beirut.

Deluge

From Unesco's palaces, indeed, pours a deluge of such paper, sent to every part of the world, on almost any subject that the experts here can imagine.

One thousand "official" documents are sent to the Governments of the world each year—an average of 10 copies of each document for each Government. Unesco also spends £200,000 a year on its publications, with a free copy for every Government, of course.

And some countries have their own national commissions for Unesco, where local experts busy themselves writing reports and booklets on the reports and books Paris has sent them. So the waste gathers weight.

The ladies of Lebanon? There have been equally ridiculous projects, like the one under the title: "The protection of cultural property in the event of armed conflict" which made this major pronouncement: "When a bomb or shell explodes it breaks up into a vast number of splinters."

There was another inquiry which discovered that British immigrants to Australia "are not humble enough" (can you hear me, cobbler?).

And an educational inquiry which promulgated that "Giving marks in schools has been found to promote dishonesty and undesirable traits in children." And so on.

Nonsense

But all this is just superficial nonsense that it would be too easy to dismiss. It is when it comes to more serious ground that you find the biggest wastage of time, money, and men and the biggest accumulations of paper.

As with one of Unesco's favourite projects, the irrigation of the deserts of the world, I would guess that enough paper has been put out on this subject to cover every desert there is.

So I put this question to a member of the Secretariat: "Has all your work since 1945 on this idea led to the irrigation of one single square mile of desert anywhere?"

"Well, to be truthful," I was told, "if you put it like that I suppose the answer is no."

But mention any project and you will find that all this proliferation of paper from the three palaces of Unesco leads almost exactly nowhere.

"Can you," I asked, "name a single item taken up by Unesco that has led to a successful accomplishment?"

There was much scratching of heads before one official said: "Well, India did ask us for advice on setting up public libraries. We got a man from London—the English make the best librarians—to go there, and he set up a library in Delhi which will be a model for others."

It seemed to me that India could easily have asked Britain for this help direct.

Space

Mr Adishlah, a white haired administrator from Madras, said it was obvious that Unesco needed more space. "Indeed, we are moving much too fast for the staff we have," he said. Hence, of course, the fourth palace.

Yet Unesco, in the beginning when the world was no smaller, was able to do with a single palace as its headquarters.

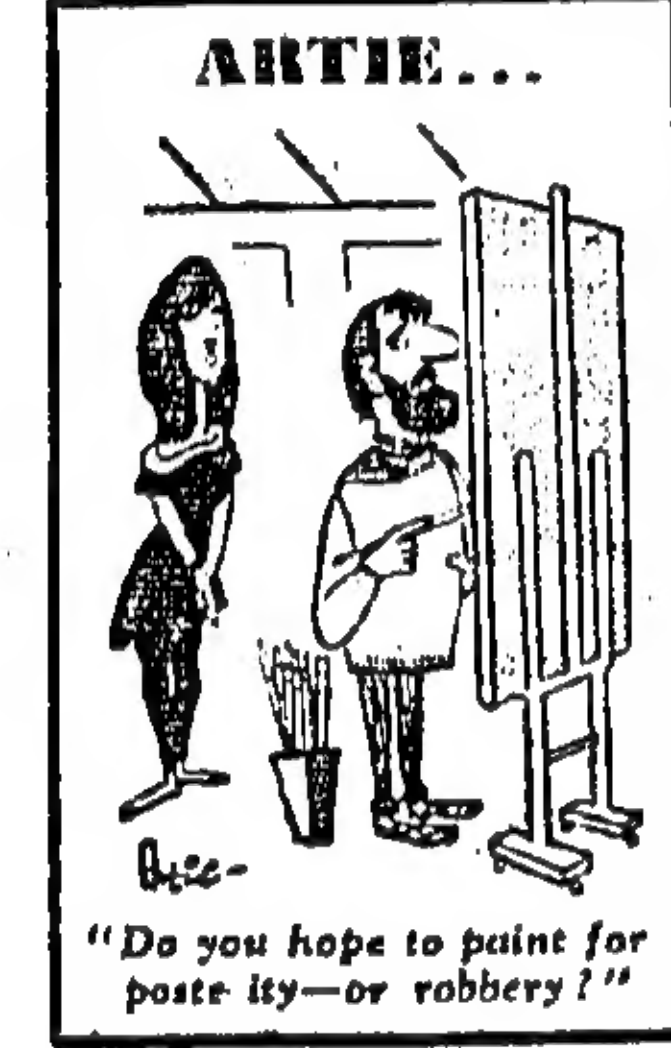
Other members of the Secretariat spoke to me proudly of Unesco's "field workers"—of experts from Europe sent to Japan, for instance, to help set up rural television there.

Others spoke of Unesco's travelling fellowships—of Cambridge going, for example, to study fishing in Nova Scotia. Always there is this coming and going of people—leaving behind a vast trail of reports like a nightmare paper-chase.

One official drew me aside afterwards and said: "Once there was an ideal here somewhere. But it's all got buried under all this paper. Experts are turned into civil servants, civil servants into turned into in-and-out boys. But don't mention my name—the pay, here it is too good."

The Americans have the best way to describe it all. "Bureaucracy." The ability to think up plenty more work for plenty more people at plenty more pay. Not really—really.

—(London Express Service).



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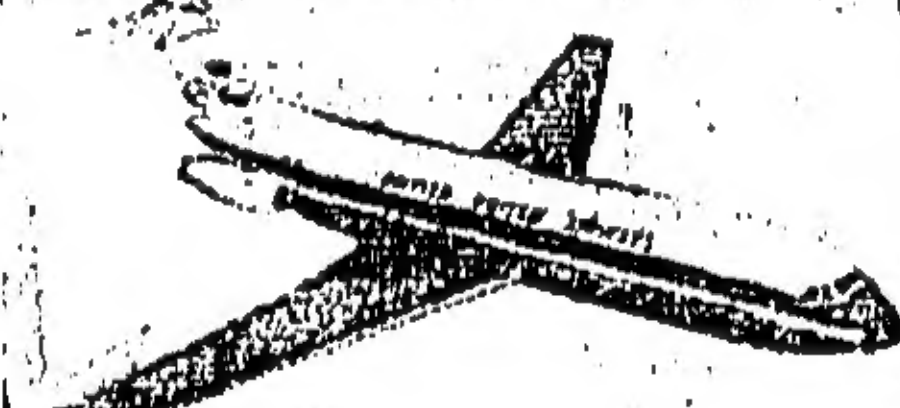


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TAKE-OFF: 1964

BY MERRICK WINN

THEY put their headsets on and flew to Rome and the starboard engine caught fire 10 times, the cockpit filled with smoke, the flaps iced up, and the undercarriage would not come down.

This fantastic flight was a flight in fantasy, in a plane that is not yet built. But it wasn't a game. The serious men who made this trip were two of Britain's leading test pilots: Mr "Jock" G. R. Bryce, chief test pilot for the British Aircraft Corporation, and Mr "Mike" J. Lithgow, deputy chief test pilot for Vickers.

And the unborn plane was Britain's new B.A.C. One-Eleven, 60-seater twin-jet which will succeed the Viscount to challenge the world's medium-range aircraft market. The project is costing £10,000,000.

How is a new plane born? You fly it, and while you fly it you build it. This is the way the One-Eleven is being built, in bits and pieces at the British Aircraft Corporation's works at Bournemouth, Bristol, Luton, and Weybridge, Surrey.

When it is put together at Bournemouth in 1964, and flies, it will have flown already for hundreds of hours in imagination. Consultation with the plane's 500 designers will allow them to build up the final picture in 17,000 drawings.

Jock Bryce and Mike Lithgow did their Rome flight exactly according to a timetable. They took two and a half hours there, had lunch, and took the same time back, going through every routine step.



JOCK BRYCE
TEST PILOT

In their marked-up five-ply cockpit they imagined disasters and dealt with them and learned a great deal, most of it beyond a layman's understanding. But they learned this too: that the warning-light system, which tells the pilot if the plane's doors are open or closed, was not 100 per cent safe.

There are 180 civil test pilots in Britain and they are hardly in the job for money or glamour. They are not as well paid as airline pilots and the glamour exists only in young imaginations, sometimes hot tin.

This could have meant, by a millionth chance, an air hostess being swept through an open door by engine

suction. Now even this chance does not exist.

Jock Bryce, 40-year-old Scot and former King's Flight pilot, got down from his Weybridge cockpit, with instruments blued-lined on white paper, to tell me:—

"When the One-Eleven flies in three years' time pilots will know how it will behave in every emergency." The test pilot is often thought of as a sort of well-bred stunt man, lean and brave but not responsible, who is called in at the last to run the first risks.

Said Jock Bryce, putting this right: "If there were risks when a plane first flies the test pilot wouldn't have done his job."

Detail

"He has to be consulted about almost everything, not because he knows it all but because he represents the men who will have to fly it."

"The smallest things can be vital."

"For instance, the crew must have special racks for their coffee spoons. This sounds silly. But a coffee spoon among the throttles could be serious."

It is this magnificent obsession with detail which allows statisticians to claim that if you were born in a plane and flew day and night all your life the chances are you would live to be 92.

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—(London Express Service).

WOMANSENSE

You may not buy a sable here but you WILL get:

JACOBY on BRIDGE

THE correct lead from a six card suit headed by king queen-nine is the king. It doesn't always work, but this time it gives the defense its only chance to defeat the three no-trump contract.

If South is looking at all the cards, he can make the hand by playing low from dummy. But this play is strictly against the percentages. It works against this actual holding, but

NORTH 29	
♠ A 10 4	
♥ A 3	
♦ 10 8 3	
♣ Q J 10 7 3	
WEST	
♠ Q 7	♠ J 8 2
♥ K Q 9 8 4	♥ 10 2
♦ 8 4	♦ 7 5 2
♣ 5 2	♣ A 8 6
EAST	
♠ K 6 5 3	
♥ J 7 5	
♦ A K Q	
♣ K 9 4	
SOUTH (D)	
♠ K 6 5 3	
♥ J 7 5	
♦ A K Q	
♣ K 9 4	
East and West vulnerable	
South West North East	
1 N.T. Pass 3 N.T. Pass	
Pass Pass	
Opening lead—♥ K	

It costs South the hand any time West holds six, seven or eight hearts and the ace of clubs.

The play of the ace from dummy loses the hand if West holds six hearts and East the ace of clubs.

If West holds five hearts, the ace play wins if West holds the ace of clubs. No play wins if East holds the ace of clubs.

Also, even with the actual six-two break, the ace play may win. It won't against an alert East, but a careless East might forget to get rid of the 10 of hearts.

Then, when he gets in with the ace of clubs and leads the 10 of hearts, all South will have to do is play low and the 10 will block the suit.

♥CARD Sense♥

Q—The bidding has been:
North East South West
1♣ Pass 1♦ Pass
1♥ Pass 1♠ Pass

You, South, hold:
♠ Q J 3 2 ♥ K 8 7 6 ♦ A 7 5 ♣ 3 2
What do you do?
A—Bid three spades. This is not forcing, but is highly invitational. Your hand is worth 12 points in support of spades.

TODAY'S QUESTION
Instead of bidding one spade your partner has rebid to two clubs. What do you do now?
Answer Tomorrow



● Inspiration — a white mink capelet, formed in tiers and fastened with a single button.

Just what the doctor ordered

NO PRIZES for guessing what inspired this newest handbag shape... it's the little black bag your doctor carries as he streaks from bedside to bedside on his errands of mercy.



—(London Express Service)

This one comes from Italy, made of good strong coach-hide in black or British Racing Green or chocolate, and even at 10½ guineas a time it's being snapped up by girls who like to carry a lot of their private lives around with them—paperbacks, knitting, sandwich, luncheon, correspondence or, on the other hand, never pack more than a tooth-brush and a nightdress when they go away for the weekend.

Please let's have some British copies—at half the price.

A mink for your money

IT must be rather pleasant to spend your days amongst mink coats. I spent a happy half hour the other morning sliding in and out of mink wraps and stoles and believe me it was very pleasant indeed.

I had gone along to Town and Country to see Miss Hilda Steinhofel, an expert on furs from New York.

Originally in Hongkong for a holiday, Miss Steinhofel joined the business years ago, learning such things as the basic foundation of furs, pattern-making, styling and processing of furs at what is now known as the School of Modern Arts in New York.

She designs furs herself, but will not be doing any designing in Hongkong unless it's a personalised garment for an individual.

Buying

We talked about buying a mink coat. "If you look carefully at the fur," Miss Steinhofel explained, "you will see that there are two sorts of hair. The long guard hairs and the much shorter ground skin. The longer the guard hairs are, the better the fur."

Male skins, it seems, are tougher than the female ones. They are also larger and more costly. But the female skins are more silky although equally hard-wearing.

Fur coats need taking care of, and one of the main points to remember, especially in the warm summer climate here, is the proper storing of them during the heat when they should go into cold storage.

Either before or after they are stored, they should be "glazed" by a furrier and not by a dry-cleaner who is quite liable to dunk them in chemicals, causing them to "drop to bits later," says Miss Steinhofel.

Sable

I asked Miss Steinhofel if she contemplated keeping any sable furs for Hongkong buyers. Sable being this autumn's top fur in London and New York.

But apparently sable is only for Top People, who, if they

by
Jennifer Lane

have that much money anyway are going to have enough left over to take a plane somewhere where they can choose from a large selection.

So no sable. But I'd cheerfully settle for one of the little mink jobs. Miss Steinhofel spirited away under lock and key before we went downstairs.

Most of her furs are from Danish furrier Birger Christensen, one of Europe's leading designers, and very lovely they are too. Christensen has one of the oldest furrier establishments in Copenhagen and makes furs for the Danish royal family.

We have pictured two of his designs here, both short furs which are very suitable for the comparatively mild winter months that Hongkong residents enjoy in the Colony.

Sealskin

If your budget does not run to one of these, and let's face it, few people's does, then why not choose a seal skin collar to add a touch of luxury to a winter suit?

Attractive, warm and unpriced, they can be worn either as a scarf or as a collar, fastening at the front with a hook and eye. Ideal if you'd like a bit of fur around but can't quite manage a mink.



● Pure delight — a Star Sapphire mutation mink in soft silver grey.

COOKING COLUMN by Felicity Ascot

Onions on the menu

Amber onions
6 good sized onions, 1 tablespoon melted butter, 1 teaspoon salt, pinch of paprika, 2 tablespoons tomato juice, 2 tablespoons honey, buttered toast and parsley.
Peel the onions, cut in halves crosswise and place in a buttered dish. Mix the melted butter, tomato juice, honey and seasonings pour over the onions and bake for 1 hour in a moderate oven. Serve on strips of hot buttered toast and garnish with parsley.

Yorkshire onions
6 onions, 3 tablespoons fat, 2 cups flour, 4 teaspoons baking powder, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon sugar, 1 egg beaten, 1½ cups milk.
Make a batter by adding the beaten egg and milk to the sifted dry ingredients. Mince or slice the onions and sauté in the hot fat. Allow to cool slightly then add to the batter. Pour into a greased baking dish and bake in a moderately hot oven for 30 minutes.

Place bread that has become stale in a sieve and steam over boiling water for a few minutes and it will become quite palatable again.

When cooking cheese of a dry crumbly type, put it through a mincer instead of grating it. This is quicker and it saves your fingers from painful scrapes.

To restore the appearance of lined oak, pour a little metal polish into a saucer and let it evaporate until it is nearly dry, then rub it well into the wood. The effectiveness of the process depends less on the quantity used than on the amount of rubbing in.

Obstinate nails or screws that have rusted themselves solid in wood can often be sufficiently loosened for removal by dropping warm paraffin oil on or under the head.

For that extra hot water bottle comfort on a cold night, fill a bag with sand and heat it in the oven.



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CHILDREN'S CORNER

Where's Scarecrow?

—Knarf And Hanid Find Only His Hat—

By MAX TRELL

NOW there was one person in the park of whom hardly anyone took any notice. His name (in case you want to know) was Jack Scarecrow.

Jack Scarecrow lived in the middle of a small vegetable garden behind the park menagerie. The vegetable garden grew vegetables for the Animals in the menagerie who didn't care for meat, such as the Giraffes, the Hippopotamuses, the Elephants, the Zebras and several other Animals.

Scarecrow's job

Jack Scarecrow's job was to keep the Crows and all other kinds of Birds from eating the vegetables before they grew big enough to feed to the Giraffes, the Hippopotamuses, the Elephants and the Zebras.

And then one afternoon, Knarf, the Shadow Boy with the Turned-About Name, came running up to his sister Hanid.

"Hanid!" he cried, "Something's happened to poor Jack Scarecrow!"

Hanid was alarmed. "Oh dear!" she exclaimed.

Alarmed Hanid

"There's hardly anything left of him," said Knarf.

This news alarmed Hanid even more.

"Yes," continued Knarf, "the only thing left is his head. I mean, it isn't even his head! It's his hat!"

"What happened to the rest of him?" asked Hanid.

"I don't know," said Knarf.

A few moments later, Knarf and Hanid walked over to the vegetable garden behind the menagerie to find out what had happened to the rest of poor Jack Scarecrow, and why the only thing that was left of him was his hat.

Only hat left

Sure enough, when they reached the vegetable garden, they saw Jack Scarecrow's hat. It was stuck, as usual, on top of a pole. But the rest of Jack—his arms and his legs and his hands and feet and his nose and his eyes and his ears—there wasn't a single trace of them.

Then Hanid peered underneath the hat just to make sure that Jack's head wasn't there. All she could see were two small straws.

"Those two straws are his mouth!" exclaimed Knarf, who was also looking under Jack's hat.

At that moment, the two straws began to move. It might have been the wind that was blowing them—and Knarf and Hanid heard Jack's voice—it might have been the wind murmuring.

"Do you see what's happened to me?" Jack's voice seemed to be saying. "I've gone away. Do you know where I've gone? I've gone all over the park. Part of me is behind the bushes. Some of me is on the ground. Knarf and Hanid started to speak but Jack Scarecrow's voice went right on.

Took his straw

"Do you know why I'm in the trees? It's because the Birds came to me and asked if



"Do you see what's happened to me?" Jack's voice asked.

they could have a straw. They needed straws to build their nests. First a few Birds came. Then whole flocks came and, by and by, I was nothing but an empty coat and an empty pair of pants and an almost-empty hat.

"Then," Jack continued, "the Squirrels came and nibbled my coat away. They needed the pieces of cloth to make beds for their young ones. And the Chipmunks came and took my pants away because they needed pieces of cloth for their Children.

Others come

"And the Rabbits came and the Moths came, and the field mice came... and finally there was nothing left of me but this old hat and my mouth."

"But don't for one minute think," said Jack, "that I'm unhappy. It's lots more fun being all over the park, living with my friends than standing with my legs churning away hungry. Birds just so that the carrots and radishes can grow for the Giraffes, Hippopotamuses, Elephants and Zebras."

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): Give an offer a few days' consideration, even if it does not sound too promising at first.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): Curb your extravagance of the past few weeks, and keep future requirements well in mind.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): An opportunity to use a talent you have long neglected will bring better results than you had in the past.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You may have to put your own interests well in the background in favour of the good of the family as a whole.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Fulfilling an assignment of a rather difficult nature will enable you to improve your standing in your special field.

CANCER (June 22-July 21): An older person seems to be hampering your progress, and you must gradually remove yourself from his sphere of influence.

LEO (July 22-August 21): You will be happier in the company of an old friend tonight than by accepting the invitation of a comparative stranger.

VIRGO (August 22-September 22): It will take time for you to come to a satisfactory arrangement with a person who is used to driving rather hard bargains.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22): If you are

over meticulous in your work, you won't find ready co-operation among your colleagues.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21): Although you have avoided the same responsibility before, you will have no choice but to accept it now.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): If you find yourself in an awkward position today, try to extricate yourself without involving your partner.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): A friend's unflinching devotion should convince you that you were wrong in once having doubted his loyalty.

YOUR BIRTHDAY: If this is your birthday, an offer to steady and remunerative work will promise you more peace of mind in the future.

Rupert and the Secret Path—45



Constance, Gwennie wants to set to work at once as soon as he hears where the second scribbled map was found. "So that's the track of yours was leading to the very spot before you knew that it was the hide-out of the men we want to catch!" he cries. "Come on, to that sand bin. It is a long way off, right round the other side of this big wood, so we must hurry." "Oh dear," moans Bingo. "I'm too tired to go so far." As they move off Rupert has a sudden idea and calls the others to stop.



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Another 'Yank' at Oxford' makes Rugby debut

London, Oct. 19. Another 'Yank at Oxford' will take the field for the Oxford University Rugby side when they meet Richmond next Saturday.

The American player, Dan Sachs, formerly of Princeton University, follows in the footsteps of his compatriot Pete Dawkins, whom sports writers two years ago dubbed the 'Yank at Oxford' after he proved to be one of the stars of the University's first-string Rugby fifteen.

Like Dawkins, Sachs is a winger. He is making his debut with the University first - string team on the weekend, but last year he played Rugby for his college and for the 'Blues' reserve team.—A.P.

Caulfield Cup favourites

Melbourne, Oct. 19. The lightweight Sydney horse, Lord Fury, was made equal favourite with New Zealand's Blue Lodge after he had drawn the No. 4 starting position for Saturday's A15,350 Caulfield Cup.

The race will be run over 12 furlongs.

Both horses are quoted at each way odds.

The first three favourites draw ideal positions—Lord Fury (4), Blue Lodge (5) and Geronimo (2).

International jockey, George Moore who will ride Geronimo, has not succeeded in many previous attempts to win the Caulfield Cup.

The field was today reduced to 20 starters. Four horses were named as emergencies and two were eliminated.

The field is: Dhuagiri (8.6), Valerius (9.4), Sir Bink (9.0), Nilureo (8.13), Shorple (8.13), Blue Lodge (8.12), Sparkler (8.7), Corbett (8.2), Geronimo (8.1), Myzami (8.1), High Society (7.1), Summer Fair (7.7), Lord Fury (7.0), Prince Argon (7.0), Baroda Gleam (7.5), Blue Era (7.5), Doreidch (7.3), Sometime (7.2), Twilight Glow (7.0), San Ramo (6.12).

Emergencies: Kuantan (7.5), Moon Bridge (7.1), Caram (7.0), Ribbunwood (7.3).—Reuter.

YESTERDAY'S HOCKEY

KCC lose 4-2 to season's first visiting RN team

By 'NUMPERE'

In a friendly hockey match at the Kowloon Cricket Club ground last evening, the first Royal Navy side to visit Hongkong this season, HMS Victorious, lived up to their name by defeating a below-full-strength KCC team by 4-2.

The Navy team were led by Lt Middleton who was last in the Colony in the 1959 season.

It was a clean and entertaining match and the visitors deserved their success. They had a strong all round side but were caught offside far too often, particularly in the second half. Centre-forward Phillips scored a hat-trick and always looked dangerous in possession. Outstanding in the sailors' defence was the tall left-back Black who seldom put a foot wrong and cleared very strongly.

KCC had four reserve players on the field but substituted Chambers for Flaxman at half-time. Sloan was back in his accustomed position at centre-forward and scored one very good goal.

Took the lead

From the bully it was KCC first into the attack with Sloan forcing a corner off goalkeeper Lawrie. An infringement gave KCC a short corner from which Lawrie saved Nery's shot.

Play quickly switched to the other end where the sailors were awarded a free-hit on the circle but in the ensuing scramble Chamberlain cleared well off the goal-line.

Then in the 7th minute Victorious took the lead when Phillips converted a long corner from Read.

Play continued with the exchanges just about even but in the 20th minute the Navy side went further ahead. Phillips and Read combined well to take the ball upfield and Phillips put the finishing touch with a flick into the net past Stephen.

Four minutes later KCC reduced the arrears. Bell took a free-hit for offside and sent a hard one upfield to Sloan who ran past the defence and sent a hard shot into the net from the edge of the circle. KCC went flat out for the equaliser and just before half-time forced two long and two short corners in quick succession. From the last of these, Nery's shot looked a goal all the way, but goalkeeper Lawrie stuck a foot out and kept it out of the net to keep HMS Victorious in front at the interval.

The first few minutes of the second half saw KCC pressing strongly, but in the

44th minute Phillips, received a pass from Wilkinson and, although he looked well offside to me, he ran through, past goalkeeper Stephen and scored from close range to complete his hat-trick.

Four minutes later KCC were again back in the picture. Rosa put Sloan through and Black cleared to touch, but Bray rolled the ball right across the goalmouth where Simoes was unmarked and he just tapped the ball into the net.

Most of the sailors' attacks at this stage were breaking down through their forwards being caught offside but in the 57th minute Middleton put Phillips through but Stephen came to the rescue at the expense of a short corner.

Phillips hand-stopped the resultant hit and pushed on to Pearson all in the same movement but Pearson shot past.

Then three minutes before the final whistle Wilson made it 4-2 for HMS Victorious following a scramble in the KCC goalmouth.

The teams

KCC: Stephen, Bell, Nery, Flaxman (Chambers), Chamberlain, Rosa, Jessop, Simoes, Sloan, Landels, Bray.

HMS Victorious: Lawrie, Gould, Black, Wilkinson, Pearson, Hector, Idlens, Middleton, Phillips, Wilson, Read.

There are only two First Division matches scheduled for Sunday.

In the first of these Recreo 'A', the current leaders, visit IRC 'A' at Sookunpo. Recreo are showing great form this season but, if IRC are at full strength, this match should produce some fireworks and could well finish up with the honours even.

In the other fixture Macaencus 'A' are at home to Prisons and should collect both points. Macaencus 'B', who have only dropped one point in their

four Second Division matches, this week play Dutch HC. The Dutchmen have conceded 21 goals in their two matches played to date and can have little hope of doing much better in this one.

Four of the stronger Second Division teams are in opposition this week, HKFC vs Army 'C' and Army 'B' vs Recreo 'B'. Neither of the Army teams seem as strong as they were last season when they were both runners-up in their respective. Second Division Sections, and both of these matches should be very close. In the remaining fixture in this division Demons and Nav Bharat 'B', both pointless from four matches, meet each other, and could finish up with one point each.

Clean record

In the Third Division, the KCC 'C' vs HK University fixture has been postponed and that between Combined Schools and Lions will be played under club arrangements in mid-week.

On Sunday Macaencus 'C' play their 'D' team and should preserve their 100 per cent record and IRC 'B' should beat Recreo 'C'.

In the Ladies' Division on Saturday, KCC who have scored 41 goals in their four matches will find stronger opposition in KGV 'A' but should win.

In the other two fixtures Recreo should easily defeat KGV 'B' and Gremlins 'B' win against St George's. KCC are visiting Macao this weekend for their annual series.

Fixtures

Following are the fixtures for the weekend:

LADIES' DIVISION

Tomorrow
KCC vs KGV 'A' at Recreo 2.30 pm. Umpires: K. Lall, J. Marcal.

Recreo vs KGV 'B' at Recreo 4 pm. Umpires: S. Hewson and A. N. Other.
Gremlins 'B' vs St George's at King's Park 2.30 pm. Umpires: J. Fellows, J. Ferraz.

MEN'S LEAGUE

Sunday, Oct. 22

First Division
IRC 'A' vs Recreo 'A' at Sookunpo 11.30 am. Umpires: Tara Singh, C. Blackmore.
Macaencus 'A' vs Prisons at King's Park 4 pm. Umpires: J. Howe and A. N. Other.

Second Division
Demons vs Nav Bharat 'B' at King's Park 9.45 am. Umpires: to be provided by clubs.
Dutch HC vs Macaencus 'B' at Happy Valley 11.30 am. Umpires: Makhan Singh, D. Price.

HKFC vs Army 'C' at Happy Valley 2.30 pm. Umpires: M. et Arcau, K. M. Hussain.
Army 'B' vs Recreo 'B' at Mission-road 2.30 pm. Umpires: C. Fuller, J. Marcal.

Third Division
IRC 'B' vs Recreo 'C' at Sookunpo 9.45 am. Umpires: Z. A. Abbou, W. Matthews.
Macaencus 'C' vs Macaencus 'D' at King's Park 11.30 am. Umpires: to be provided by clubs.

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EARLY TO FAME

Stan's magic won the Cup for Blackpool

By DENNIS DREW

The small lad weaved his way in and out of the kitchen chairs in his small back garden, a football at his feet.

His name was Stanley Matthews, known today throughout the soccer world as the Wizard of Dribble.

Born at Hanley, in the Potteries, he joined Stoke City as a schoolboy, made his League debut at 17, and won his first cap for England when he was 19. He joined Blackpool in May 1947 at the bargain fee of £11,500. Matthews has made more than 600 appearances, but there is still no sign that he is ready to retire.

He has had a team in Accra, Ghana, named after him, and has been rightly acclaimed by several countries as a Commander of the British Empire. Now 46, 'ageless' Stan is still too good for most full backs playing today.

Great Stanley was the England footballer who, including wartime internationals, but even he would admit to having gained more personal satisfaction out of the memorable 1953 F.A. Cup Final.

MAESTRO'S MAGIC
Blackpool were trailing 3-1 to Bolton Wanderers. The hands on the great clock at Wembley Stadium showed that there were just 20 minutes left for play. The chances of Matthews gaining a Cup Winner's medal at the third attempt were vanishing as the minutes ticked away.

Then Matthews worked his magic, and put on the greatest one-man display of ball artistry ever seen in a Cup Final. Blackpool, inspired by the maestro's magic, fought back to win 4-3—the winning goal being scored in the dying seconds of the game.

No wonder the Blackpool players cheered Matthews off the field. The third attempt were vanishing as the minutes ticked away.

The 1953 Cup Final will always be remembered as 'Matthews' Final'. A Cup Winner's medal was fitting reward for the First Gentleman of English Soccer.

Stan Matthews transferred

Manchester, Oct. 19. Stanley Matthews, the 46-year-old English international soccer player, was transferred last night from Blackpool to Stoke City, the club with whom he started his career as a professional footballer nearly 30 years ago.

Matthews, who is regarded as the finest outside-right of all time, signed for Stoke before the television cameras in a studio here.

He said that he wanted to complete 30 years in English League football next February, and hoped to continue playing for at least another two years.

Stoke, who are in the English League Second Division, paid £3,000 for Matthews, who left them in 1947 at a fee of £11,500 for First Division Blackpool.

Matthews played 87 times for England, including war-time internationals, and has been honoured by countries all over the world—China Mail Special.

MCC VICTORY NO CAUSE FOR SATISFACTION

Lyallpur, Oct. 19. The MCC beat the Governor's XI by 29 runs with 45 minutes to spare after a thrilling day's cricket here today, but their victory can have given them little cause for satisfaction.

They had the advantage of batting first before the pitch began to break up, but their second innings showed lack of determination.

The worst feature of MCC's play was their ground fielding and catching, plus badly-directed and weak throwing to the wicket-keeper.

With the First Test starting at Lahore on Saturday, the touring team will have to live up if they are to make a decent showing.

Fine stand

Fortunes swung violently today. With the pitch taking a considerable amount of spin, the Governor's XI, set to make 240, looked to have too big a task on their hands, but, thanks to a fine stand by Shakoor Ahmad and Wazir Mohammad, they were at one stage 134 for two.

Then David Allen, the Gloucestershire off-spinner, dismissed them with a spell of four for two in 10 balls and the score slumped to 143 for eight, with Allen's analysis reading seven for 37.

Fast bowler Mahmood Hussain then launched a furious attack on Allen, whose figures changed swiftly to seven for 67 before he was taken off.

32 byes

Wicketkeeper John Murray conceded 32 byes, the ball repeatedly bouncing over his shoulders and shooting along the ground, but the gaps should have been plugged before he remedied the situation by standing back to all the bowlers except Allen and leg-spinner Ken Barrington.

Allen accounted for opener Alim-Ud-Din in his second over today, and Saeed Ahmad went at 48. Shakoor hit hard when the occasion offered, and his 60, made in 145 minutes was the highest score of the match.

Hanif Mohammad, Pakistan's star Test batsman, was bowled by a shooter without offering a stroke, and 'bagged a pair' in the match as a result.

Wazir did his best to stem Allen's run of successes, but after playing 135 minutes for 37, stayed on.

Mahmood's onslaught included a four, a six and another four off successive deliveries by Allen, and then a four and six off following balls. Once the ball flew out of his hands as he tried a mighty leg - hit, and travelled 20 yards, much to the delight of the 15,000 crowd.

The MCC had to take the new ball after the 100th over, and Barry Knight ended the match by dismissing Mahmood.

Scoreboard

FIRST INNINGS	
MCC: 235	
GOVERNOR'S XI: 119	
SECOND INNINGS	
MCC: 166	
GOVERNOR'S XI: 134	
Shakoor Ahmad & Murray b Allen	60
Alim Ud Din & Saeed Ahmad b Allen	6
Saeed Ahmad b Allen	6
Hanif Mohammad b Allen	57
Wazir Mohammad b Allen	2
Abdul Dyer & Barry Knight	2
Amjad D'Souza & end b Russell	2
Ali Iqbal & end b Russell	50
Mahmood Hussain b Knight	30
Aliq Hussain not out	20
Extras	20
Total	210
Fall of wickets: 1-10, 2-40, 3-124, 4-134, 5-130, 6-130, 7-151, 8-148, 9-210.	
Bowling analysis	
D. Smith	12 2 27 0
Knight	10 3 10 1
Allen	23 9 67 7
Russell	14 9 28 0
Barrington	9 0 24 0
Parfitt	3 2 10 0

NOTICE

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The Public Enclosure at Happy Valley is being loaned to the Hong Kong Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for an Inter-Schools Pet Show on Sunday, 22nd October, 1961. These premises will be closed to Members at Noon on Sunday.

During the Show, the Private Boxes, Dining Room, Bar and Ladies' Lounge will be open and reserved for the use of the Members of the Jockey Club.

The charges for admission are \$3.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children under 16. Entrance to the Show will be by the Public Entrance only.

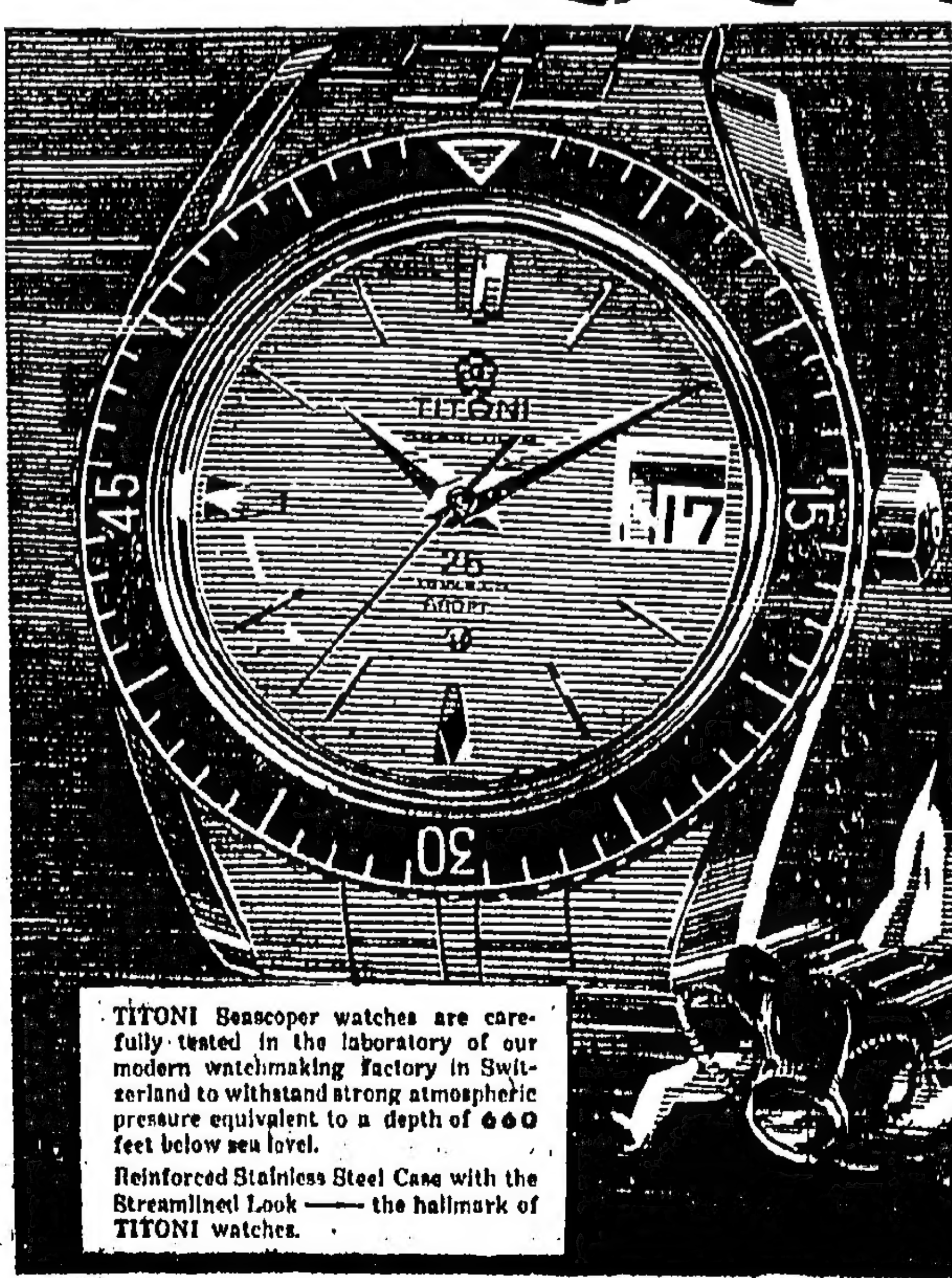
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BRIAN GLANVILLE

Talking Sport

Milan want Woosnam as goal-maker for Greaves

Nils Liedholm, the Milan coach and Swedish international footballer, who watched Phil Woosnam play for West Ham at Ipswich recently, visualises both Greaves and Woosnam playing for Milan. This is in contrast to the general belief in Italy and England (largely unaltered by Greaves's latest statement that he'll stay with Milan) that the two players will be exchanged.

"When a foreign footballer has a countryman playing with him," Liedholm told me, "it makes a great difference to him, and I'm sure it would to Greaves."

"Milan has need of a brain for the attack. The defence, with all the young players we have trained up through the junior teams, is good. But the side as a whole often plays well, then stupidly loses the match through not getting goals. What we want is a player who can keep up a tremendous rhythm of play."

"Woosnam is 28, I know, but that needn't make any difference. If he's a dedicated player, the medical attention we can give him in Milan should enable him to play for another four to six years. Milan are a fine club, the players for them for 17 years (himself) and all they ask in return for the salaries they pay is that the player should sacrifice himself to the game while he is with them."

Tight marking

"Greaves needs somebody to send him through. The essential thing in Italian football, with its tight marking, is to vary your pace and position, which Greaves doesn't do. The trouble is that he is coming up against defenders who can run the 100 metres in 11 seconds—although they may not be good players—and thus keep up with him."

I asked him why Milan had made no real effort to obtain a constructive inside-forward during the summer, when it was plain (as I wrote at the time) that they lacked one. "They had been so used to having one, so accustomed to success," he answered, "that it came as a surprise."

Woosnam himself is intensely keen to go, and I understand that West Ham will not for a moment stand in the way. A mature, gifted, intelligent player, with a B.Sc. and an F.A. coach's certificate, Woosnam, I think, could do



Ballet exercises are now an established part of athletics training, teaching agility, balance and co-ordination. This picture shows a class of athletes under the instruction of Robert Harrold (right) at the Royal Academy of Dancing in London. The athlete on the left is Patrick Mackenzie, the Scottish international high-jumper.

very well indeed in Italian football.

Scotland first

It seems that Clifton's claim to have played the first ever public schools Rugby match must be qualified.

No doubt they were the first in England—Marlborough were met in 1864. But I understand from a correspondent that Royal High School and Merchiston played in Edinburgh in February, 1868. The following December, Merchiston played Edinburgh Academy—and they would have played the previous year, thus adding a year to the record, and it has been for an influenza epidemic.

Double answer

Harlequins try new tactics

After the grim, steam-roller efficiency of the Springbok tour last season, it seems that a hundred flowers are beginning to bloom again. The Harlequins, in particular, are working hard at new ideas and original tactics.

Geoff Abbott, the former Oxford University forward, now a master at Whitgift, who is their new captain, believes that "the psychological effect is immense. I think the great thing really in the game is to get your side trying things before the other side. People lay back from the tackle and give you that extra second."

Though he is pleased, he tells me, with the way things have gone so far, his task isn't easy. "About some things, Rugby players are terribly conservative. You've got to show them work—people like playing the old ways... It's still very exploratory. What we're trying to build up is this business of the hooker throwing into the line-out to give ourselves the extra man in the three-quarters. The problem with two extremely fast wings is to find the way to set them going from the set pieces. The line-out forwards don't like it; the thing is, John Young (the wing three-quarter) is such a good thrower-in."

"I think most of the moves started in Oxford—things we tried and abandoned, tried and kept up. Anything to distract the three-quarters! From what? I asked. "From the fly-half!"

"We shall certainly keep the tactics till grounds start getting very wet. If they haven't worked then, I don't think they will."

Downes has doubts

SO anxious is Terry Downes to retain his world middle-weight title—no fee in it is only on the fringe of "the big money"—so perturbed is he by the prospect of having to defend against Paul Pender in Boston, that he is seriously considering whether to write off the £20,000-worth of purses for the first two fights, which are still "frozen" in America. "I've got nothing against Pender," he told me last week. "I haven't a worry in the world. The only worry I've got is fighting him in Boston. I know what I'm up against there. It really boils down to whether it's worth scrubbing that £20,000

they've got of ours and doing it another way, or taking the risk of having it in Boston. They say you've got to knock 'em out to get a draw out there."

ACHIEVING FATIGUE

John Gutknecht, a marine biologist who runs, was reading a book called "Building Word Power" when I met him, a slight, calm, blond young man, his hair in a brose. A few weeks ago, running the six miles for the first time in his life, he won the American national title, using the simple tactics of latching on first to the champion and then, when he fell out, to the second favourite. This gave him a place in the American tour of Europe, and he romped away with the 10,000 metres in Stuttgart.

Was it true, I asked, that he trained by running uphill? "Well, all I can tell you," said Gutknecht, admitting it, "is nobody believes in it except me, and I'm not sure, because I haven't been doing it that much. With coaches like Igoli, you find the truth is in more and more towards miles covered, than the actual speed; but it's taking them so many hours to work out that people like Truex and Bailey seem to do nothing else. So with me, it was just a case of trying to find some way of achieving the same fatigue."

Despite the fact that he's his own coach, and his Ph.D. studies (he first place, he's "optimistic about Tokyo" and the 1964 Olympics. "I feel if I can continue running until I reach the age of the Russians, I can run as fast if not faster than they can. That'll mean at least four years of serious training. I think the age is the best factor; it's the difference between the

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By LEONARD BARDEN

What happens if a world champion man plays the world champion woman? Here is one of the games where it happened (Bolshoi, 1956). 1 P-Q4, Kt-K3; 2 P-QB4, P-K3; 3 Kt-QB3, P-Q4; 4 Kt-B3, Q-K2; 5 E-B4, P-P; 6 P-K3, Kt-Q4; 7 Kt-B3, P-K3; 8 P-Kt4, B-Q3; 9 P-Kt3, 0-0; 10 0-0, Kt-B3; 11 Q-K2, P-QKt3; 12 KR-Q1, B-K2; 13 QR-B1, Q-K2; 14 P-QB3, Kt-Q1; 15 Kt-K5, P-B4; 16 Kt-K5, P-P; 17 Kt-QP, B-Kt7 (the lady has played well up to here, but an equal game is correct); 18 Q-B3, Q-Q3; 19 B-K3, Q-Q4; 20 P-Q4, Kt-K1; 21 P-B4, P-QB3; 22 K-B2, K-B1; 23 P-B5, B-Q4; 24 P-KP, B-B3; 25 P-K7 ch, Resigns for 11-25... Kt-P; 26 Kt-B3 ch. Solution No. 1120: 1 B-Kt6 (waiting), R-B4; 2 Kt-Kt4, or 1... R-Kt4; 2 Q-Kt5, or 1... R-Kt4; 2 Kt-P, or 1... P-QKt1 ch; 2 P-Kt1, or 1... P-QP; 3 R-P, or 1... P-Kt5; 2 R-K5, or 1... Kt-B7; 2 Q-Kt5.

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Sports Diary

TENNIS
Today: Hard Court championship matches at Chinese Recreation Club, 5.30 p.m.
CRICKET
Tomorrow:
1st Division: Kaituma v. Tenzin, Brigade v. CCC, Scorpions v. Garrison, HAF/IN v. Hecro, Police v. Optima.
2nd Division: DUS v. Crusaders, Nomads v. Brigade, Garrison v. KGV, HIC v. University.
FOOTBALL
Today:
1st Division: Sing, Tao v. Police (Club); Army v. Yuen Long (S. China); KMB v. Caroline Hill (Police). All matches at 5 p.m.
Reserve Division: Sing, Tao v. Police (Club); Army v. Yuen Long (S. China); KMB v. Caroline Hill (Police). All matches at 5.30 p.m.
2nd Division: Prisoners v. Gymnastic (Stanley) 5 p.m.
3rd Division: University v. Rediffusion (HIV) 5.30 p.m.; Telephone v. Police (HIV) 5.30 p.m.; HIC Aircraft v. Police (HIV) 5.30 p.m.; Hui Ying v. C and W (HIV) 5 p.m.; Dodwell v. Tramways (HIV) 5 p.m.; Club v. HIL (HIV) 5 p.m.
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